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# Hearing for proposed Downtown Target scheduled for May 20

**MATTHEW HALL**
Daily Press Editor

Target is taking aim at a new store in Santa Monica with a preliminary hearing for a location at 420 Broadway.

The Architectural Review Board will hear a design review for the proposed store at their May 20 meeting. The company is considering occupying the former Fred Segal building at the corner of 5th and Broadway with a goal of opening in 2020.

The store will occupy 24,000 square feet of space in a building the retailer vacated in March 2016. Renderings of the location show a one-story building with wood paneling and windows facing the street.

Target's corporate office announced plans for the site earlier this year and City officials said they think a 2020 opening date is possible if the design hearings move forward quickly.

Signage announcing the ARB hearing went up last week but incorrectly listed the meeting as Monday, May 12. Justin Becker, a spokesman for the project, confirmed to The Daily Press that sign was an

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# Santa Monica College Hosts Youth for Climate Action Panel

**HAZEL SIFF**
SMC Corsair / Daily Press Staff Writer

The hubbub of conversation filling a dark theater in Santa Monica College (SMC) died out, replaced by the voice of sixteen-year-old Swedish climate activist, Greta Thunberg, in a video of her speech at the December 2018 U.N. Climate Summit.

"You are not mature enough to tell it like it is. Even that burden you leave to us children," she said, prompting a visibly emotional reaction from the audience.

The students and activists were gathered in the Theater Arts Main Stage at SMC for the school's Youth For Climate Action Panel, organized on May 9. Patrick Hentschel, an SMC student, served as moderator. Panelists included the chair of SMC's Psychology Department Alex Schwartz, spokesperson for the youth-based climate action organization Sunrise Movement D Garcia and a pair of senior organizers of Food & Water Watch Walker Foley and Alexandra Nagy

"People are not ready for what's coming and they really need to understand that we will have a very different future for all of us if we

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# Housing construction stalled last year according to City report

**MADELEINE PAUKER**
Daily Press Staff Writer

Only 46 apartments were built in Santa Monica last fiscal year and just two of those were affordable, according to a report the City of Santa Monica released Thursday.

There have only been two other years where less than two affordable units were completed since local voters approved Proposition R in 1990. The measure requires 30 percent of all new multifamily housing to be affordable to low- and moderate-income households. Although 38 percent of all construction since then has been affordable, Santa Monica has not met the requirement on an annual basis since 2014.

"Only four percent of completed residences were affordable ... and therefore did not meet the Proposition R requirement," Andy Angle, director of housing and economic development, wrote in the report. "However, the Proposition R affordable housing production mandate continues to be met over the longer term."

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Justin Landrum

**FOOD DRIVE:** Santa Monica postal workers hosted the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive on May 11. Workers collected donations along with the mail for delivery to local food banks.


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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
## BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

**SUBJECT:** Appeal 19ENT-0032 of Planning Commission's approval of 15ENT-0230 (Conditional Use Permit) and 18ENT-0342 (Fence/Wall/Hedge Height Modification) for the Rainbow Garden
**401 Montana Avenue**

APPELLANT: Rainbow Garden Appeal Group (Anne Burkley)
PROPERTY OWNER: Aesop Montana, LLC

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following request:

Appeal of conditions in the Planning Commission's approval of the above applications to construct and operate a non-profit learning center with a 1,963 square-foot building with rooftop garden, a 107-square foot shed, and approximately 10,000 square feet of ground-level garden for the purpose of educating pre-school and school-aged children about organic gardening and healthy food choices. Seven parking spaces and four short-term bike parking spaces are provided. A modification is requested to allow a four-foot high, framed wire mesh fence in the front yard area.

**DATE/TIME:** **TUESDAY, May 28, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

**LOCATION:** City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

**HOW TO COMMENT**

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: 401 Montana Avenue
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401
Or email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net

**MORE INFORMATION**

If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Elizabeth Bar-El, AICP, Senior Planner, City Planning Division, at (310) 458-8341 or by email at liz.bar-el@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation requests, please contact (310) 458-8431 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three days prior to the event. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 18 serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the Challenge may be limited only to those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

**Español**

Este es un aviso para una audiencia pública acerca de una solicitud para remodelar un edificio que tiene un valor histórico importante. Para más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en City Planning Division al número (310) 458-8341.

# What's Up Westside
## OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

## Tuesday, May 14

### Family Story Time - Ramadan and the New Moon
Come to the library in your PJs for stories and learn about the moon and how it relates to Ramadan. For families (Babies to Preschool, Kids). Montana Avenue Branch Library. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

### City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. City Hall. 5:30 p.m.

### Walk-In Tutoring: Basic Reading Writing and Online Skills
Friendly volunteer tutors provide help with basic reading, writing, and computer skills; using the Internet to search for information; opening and using an email account; filling out online forms or applications; learning how to write a resume or cover letter; and more. Main Library, 5 - 7 p.m.

### Computer Class: Appy Hour - Library Apps Workshop
Bring your smartphone, tablet or e-reader and get help with using library apps and your device. Ocean Park Branch Library, 4 - 5 p.m.

### 3D Printing
Learn the basics of 3D printing and design by completing a guided project. To register, email ideashappen@smgov.net. For teens grades 7-12. Pico Branch Library. 4 - 5:30 p.m.

### Found Plastic Block Printing w/ Studio Resident Dahn Gim
Practice printmaking on fabric with upcycled materials! Make simple repeating patterns using plastics collected from the ocean by Dahn as part of her ongoing project at the Camera. Bring t-shirts, tote bags, or other fabric you'd like to block print with unique patterns. Some fabric scraps available; equipment and ink provided. Bring an apron and/or clothes you don't mind getting stained, gloves are available. Cost: $5 each workshop. 12 - 2 p.m. Register online at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search?detailskeyword=plastic+block

### Write Away
Gain feedback and encouragement in your writing efforts from fellow writers in this supportive writer's meetup. Fairview Branch Library 2101 Ocean Park Blvd 12 - 2:30 p.m.

### City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting of the Santa Monica City Council City Hall Council Chamber 5:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, May 15

### The Commission for the Senior Community Regular Meeting
Santa Monica's Commission for the Senior Community focuses on preserving and improving the quality of life for Santa Monicans 60 and older. The Commission advises City Council on a wide range of issues relevant to older adults. The Commission also provides opportunities to educate seniors, their families and caregivers on these issues. Please note: Dates, times and locations are subject to change up to 24 hours in advance of a meeting. Ken Edwards Center 1527 4th St. 1:30 p.m.

### Montana Book Discussion Group: Educated
Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of her brothers became violent. When another brother got into college, Tara embarked on a quest for knowledge that would transform her, taking her over oceans and across continents. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. Montana Avenue Branch Library 1704 Montana Avenue 7 - 8:30 p.m.

### Planning Commission Meeting
The Santa Monica Planning Commission normally meets on the first and third Wednesdays of every month in the City Council Chamber. City Hall Council Chamber 7 p.m.

### Soundwaves: Carillon Trumpet Quartet
New music performance Main Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium 7:30 p.m.

## Thursday, May 16

### Open Lab
Explore virtual reality, 3D printers, electronics kits, and other emerging technologies during this informal drop-in session. For teens grades 7-12 and adults! Pico Branch Library 2201 Pico Blvd Annex 4 - 6 p.m.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
**310-458-7737** or submit to events@smdp.com

# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**SAN FRANCISCO**

## Facebook to pay US content reviewers more amid criticism

Facebook is raising how much it pays U.S. contractors who do some of its most taxing work, including watching violent and other objectionable material for possible removal.

Facebook will pay at least $18 an hour for these jobs. Those in New York City, Washington, D.C., and the San Francisco Bay area will get $22 per hour due to a higher cost of living. Facebook said its minimum pay for all contractors has been $15 per hour.

The content review jobs are psychologically taxing. Facebook has been criticized for not paying the workers enough and not providing enough support. Reports have documented that some of them have been left with post-traumatic stress symptoms from the work.

Facebook said Monday it's also adding tools for content moderators to have graphic images blurred out or shown in black and white before they see it.

The company said it's looking into "similar standards" outside the U.S. but did not say when. Facebook said the pay raise in the U.S. will take effect by mid-2020.

Facebook has been working to boost its use of artificial intelligence to catch objectionable material before people see it, but it's nowhere near being able to do without humans. And even its thousands of human workers can't catch everything. And humans, unlike AI, can feel the effects of looking at the worst of humanity materialize on screen day after day.

Facebook has not disclosed how many contractors it employs. It has said that 30,000 people work on its safety and security teams that includes content moderation, but it is not clear how many of these are contractors.

BARBARA ORTUTAY AP TECHNOLOGY WRITER

**LOS ANGELES**

## Man sentenced for scamming Southern California grandparents

Prosecutors say a man has been sentenced in Los Angeles to a year in federal prison for his role in a scheme to dupe people into believing their grandchildren or other relatives were in trouble in foreign countries and needed money right away.

The U.S. Attorney's Office says 48-year-old Pascal Gaudreault pleaded guilty in March to one count of wire fraud.

Investigators say Gaudreault and his co-defendants contacted victims throughout Southern California and falsely told them their relatives needed money immediately to fix a car or bail out of jail or pay hospital bills.

The victims made wire transfers ranging from $1,000 to nearly $3,000. Some victims sent money multiple times.

Another defendant was sentenced in 2014 to five years in federal prison for orchestrating the scam.

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**HAMPTON, N.H.**

## 2020 hopeful Biden says he's open to breaking up Facebook

Joe Biden said he would be open to breaking up Facebook, a sign of the deep skepticism among many Democratic presidential contenders about the power of massive technology firms.

In an interview on Monday with The Associated Press, the former vice president said that dismantling large technology companies is "something we should take a really hard look at."

Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts has been the most outspoken Democratic presidential candidate to press for greater regulation of Silicon Valley's most prominent companies. While Biden didn't fully embrace her proposal – saying it's "premature" to make a final judgment – he praised Warren and said she "has a very strong case to be made" for cracking down on tech giants.

The comments demonstrate how Facebook is increasingly a flashpoint in the campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination, with some candidates arguing the influence of such companies is unchecked, allowing misinformation to poison the public debate. Sen. Kamala Harris of California said this weekend that she was open to revamping Facebook, telling CNN the company is essentially a public utility. But Sen. Cory Booker of New Jersey told ABC that such calls aren't very different from the tough tactics President Donald Trump takes against his enemies.

Regardless of whether Facebook is ultimately broken up, Biden told the AP that the Trump administration hasn't done enough to enforce antitrust laws in a variety of industries.

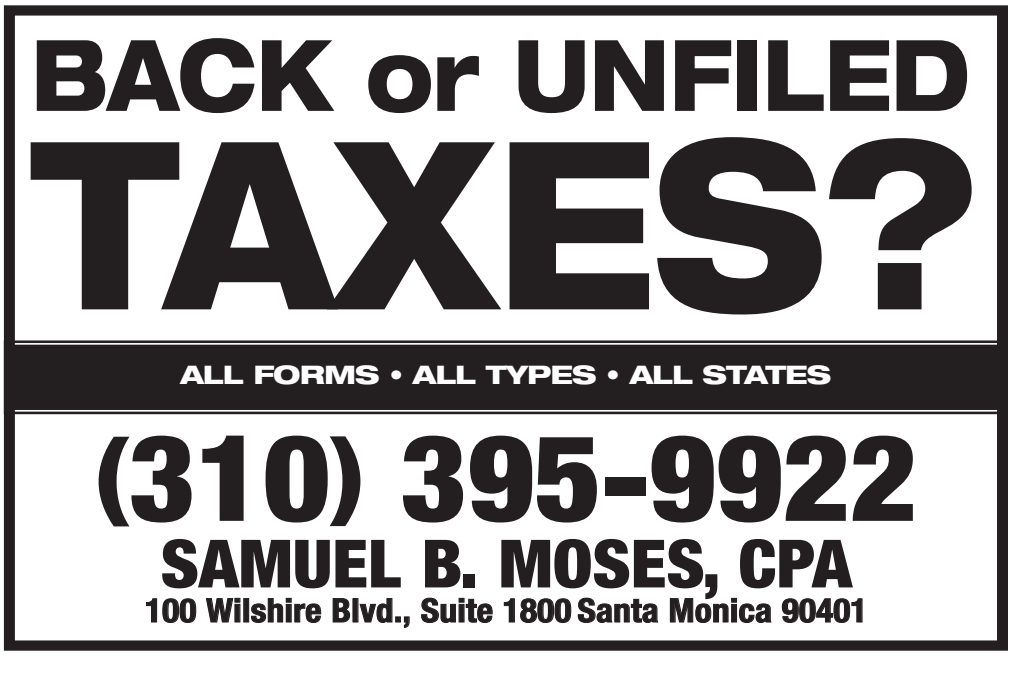
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## What's the Point?


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# Rafiki Is A Brilliant Movie

When a movie is banned by a government, then allowed to be distributed after a supreme court reversal, it gets my attention. When that movie is about a same sex love story, and is foreign, I'm even more interested. And when it garners a slew of festival awards it becomes a slam dunk that I'm going to watch it.

Rafiki is all of the above. A joint effort by a slew of African and European agencies, producers and funding sources, the movie has made great waves across the globe for its groundbreaking portrayal of lesbian love in Kenya.

Africa as a continent is not so gay friendly, and Kenya still has a long way to go on acceptance of gay and lesbian relationships. The current law is that engaging in homosexual behavior is illegal, and hence a movie that shows any positive effects is to be banned.

Rafiki is Swahili for "friend" and the movie is shot primarily in a style that is gritty and fluid, very much like early Spike Lee's "She's Gotta Have It" but with vibrant colors and characters. The action is in both Swahili and English, with English subtitles throughout the film. What I have noticed about myself is that I have no trouble with subtitles because I read so quickly that after a few minutes of the film I'm "hearing" the dialogue in English, and frankly at this point I couldn't tell you what was in English and what wasn't.

The basic plotline is a variation on the Romeo and Juliet, with two houses of rival politicians vying for the same political office. One of the families is working class, and one is clearly more of the leisure class. The political overtones of Kenyan domestic policy were lost on me, but not the dynamics of homophobia that rang painfully true.

Movies are called that because they are 'moving images'. They can be most powerful when there is no dialogue, and a scene that shows an entire story. In Rafiki there is a wordless scene of profound beauty, pain, and shared human suffering, that made me cry with its simplicity. Nothing more than a man and a woman, sitting on a bench, that summed up the fragile sense of security, aloneness and community, all in one shot. Rafiki is brilliant filmmaking at its finest.

As we move closer to June, and Santa Monica has its first pride month (how is that possible?) it's nice to see cutting edge films being circulated. The goal of good literature, music and films is to make people think. To broaden horizons and to see more of the human experience. Rafiki broke barriers in Kenya and hopefully is at the forefront of a cultural change in that country, which is still shedding its colonial era prejudices.

That is not to fault Kenya, certainly we still have a long way to go on shedding our own colonial era, post-colonial and Jim Crow prejudices and biases, we're perhaps a bit ahead of them on some civil rights issues, but not others. It was just this month that Texas executed a man for the unconscionable killing of a black man by dragging him behind a truck for a couple of miles. We're only 2 decades away from the murder of Matthew Shepard, the Wyoming gay man who was left to die on a fence. I still have "friends" who say incredibly thoughtless and painful things to me out of their own ignorance and insecurity.

Gay Pride month is a mere two weeks away, and for those who love movies and want to get a jump on the month, while seeing an insightful and beautiful portrayal of how difficult it can be at times to navigate the social currents as a gay person, I highly recommend Rafiki.

I thoroughly enjoyed this movie at the Laemmle Royal which is a bit of a schlep as I prefer the Monica Film Center, but any Laemmle is good because they use real butter on their popcorn.


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## TARGET


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error and the hearing would take place on May 20 at the ARB meeting in City Hall.

The store would be Target's first foray into Santa Monica although the company tried to open a large store at the corner of Santa Monica and 5th in 2001. That effort was abandoned in the face of heavy community opposition. Target already has stores nearby in Sawtelle, Culver City and Westwood.

Andrea Korb, economic development manager for Downtown Santa Monica Inc. (DTSM) said Target would be filling a need in the area.

"If you look at what we have downtown, we have a dearth of convenience stores and pharmacies, also hardware and supplies, those are the gaps that Target could fill in," she said.

According to Korb, DTSM is expecting an increase in the number of Downtown residents as new housing projects come online in the next few years and Target could increase foot traffic to nearby businesses if it can draw from the people who will live nearby.

"While the area is definitely a place for tourists and visitors, it's also a real downtown and we want to ensure it's a place that's for locals and stores like Target, they are a community use because we want residents to have ways to access all necessities and to necessities at different price points."

She said the store could also reduce the need for Downtown residents to drive.

"We support anything that makes the community more walkable, if this means downtown residents are closer to necessities then we're cutting down on car trips," she said.

The ARB typically meets at 7 p.m. in City Hall, 1685 Main Street. They are scheduled to meet on May 20, an agenda with details of the night's discussion will probably be available at the end of this week.


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## YOUTH

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keep going on this path," said Ferris Kawar, the Director of Sustainability at SMC as he opened the event.

Schwartz detailed a few issues that deter anti-climate change activism: "Our brains are good at taking immediate actions towards stimuli that are present, that are visible," he said. When it comes to climate change, Schwartz said, "even worse than it being far away, it doesn't have a face."

Nagy's environmental focus is primarily on eliminating fracking in the state of California and beyond. Both Nagy and Foley emphasized California has recently decided to stop investing in the fossil fuel industry, a huge accomplishment for the two.

"We've known about this for decades. It's not for a lack of knowledge, it's not for a lack of science, that we haven't done anything," Nagy said.

"We're looking for people like yourselves, in your community, and telling you that it's okay to believe in yourself," Foley said.

While all the panelists were in favor of more action, disagreement broke out in response to a question about personal versus corporate responsibility for the environment.

An audience-member questioned the value of personal sacrifices given the 2017 Carbon Majors Report report, which claims 100 corporations are responsible for 71 percent of global pollution.

Nagy said that, "a revolution includes overthrowing our fossil fuel Capitalist overlords."

Schwartz and Hentschel debated whether the discussion of minimal community-based actions and that of action from bigger corporations need to be mutually exclusive. The two settled the matter by saying that both are important topics.

"The difference in many ways is that they have the bigger button," said Hentschel.

SMC will offer free courses in sustainability this summer, and already offers a number of courses related to environmental topics.

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## HOUSING

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The City lost a major source of state funding for low-income housing in 2012, precipitating a dramatic drop in the number of affordable apartments built. 14 to 19 percent of units built in the previous three fiscal years were affordable, down from more than half of units between 2011 and 2014.

Last year saw the lowest number of affordable apartments built in more than a decade. More are in the pipeline – as of last June, there were active building permits for 837 apartments, 19 percent of which were affordable – but not enough to meet the Proposition R requirement.

Four of the six buildings completed last year paid a combined $1.2 million in affordable housing fees rather than provide affordable units. Developments in the pipeline will pay another $3.7 million. Those fees would only amount to 12 percent of the cost of the Arroyo, the most recent affordable development to open in Santa Monica. The Arroyo was built by Community Corporation of Santa Monica, a local nonprofit.

New sources of funding should result in a higher proportion of affordable housing over the next few years, however. In 2016, City Council bolstered the City's housing trust funds, which are the funding source for most of Santa Monica's affordable housing, and voters approved two ballot measures to fund affordable housing. The City used the increased funding to approve loans for 47 apartments last fiscal year.

"The funding resources enhance the City's ability to increase affordable housing production and meet the provisions of Proposition R," Agle wrote.

Recent changes to the Downtown Community Plan (DCP), which requires that 30 percent of new multifamily housing downtown be affordable, are also expected to spur construction. More than 1,700 units have been proposed since Council approved the plan two years ago. The 2017 changes to the zoning ordinance increased affordable housing requirements throughout the rest of the city.

"The increased affordability requirements in the Zoning Ordinance and DCP are expected to play a critical role in helping the City meet the requirements of Proposition R," Agle wrote.

The City is also considering amending the affordable housing production plan (AHPP) to ensure that affordable housing is built for a range of income levels. Council believes the current AHPP incentivizes developers to build a very small number of extremely low-income units rather than a larger amount of low- or moderate-income units.

To qualify for an extremely low-income apartment, an individual needs to earn less than $22,000, which is 30 percent of the Los Angeles area's median income. A family of four needs to earn less than $32,000.

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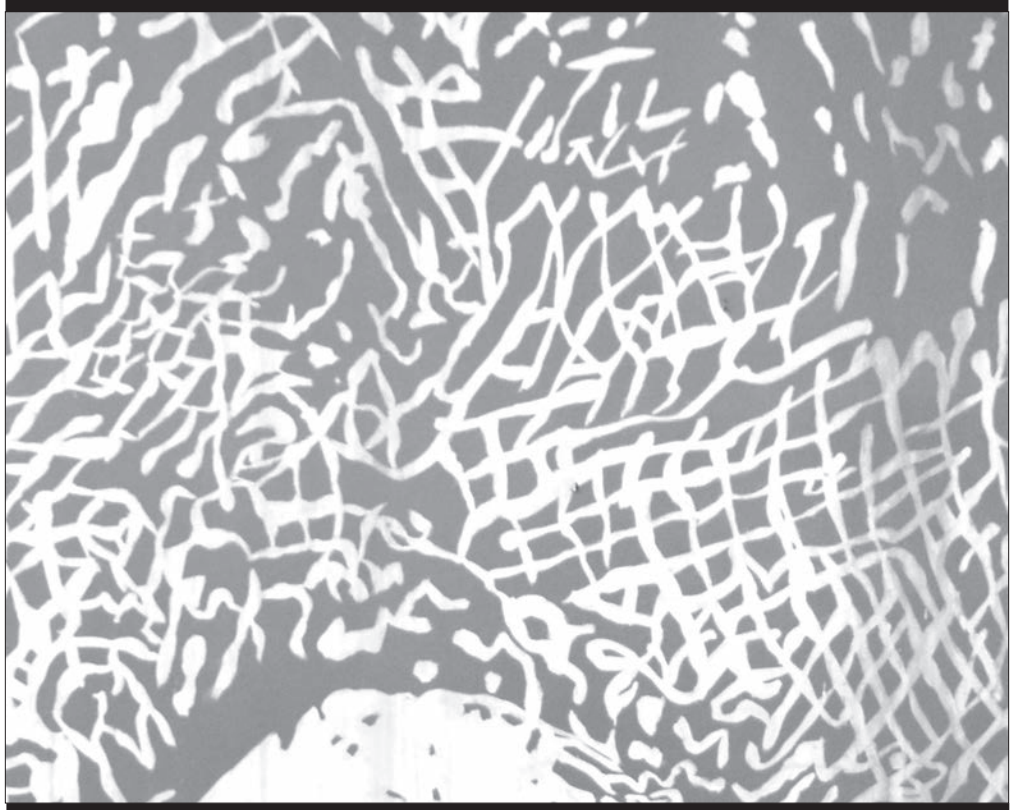
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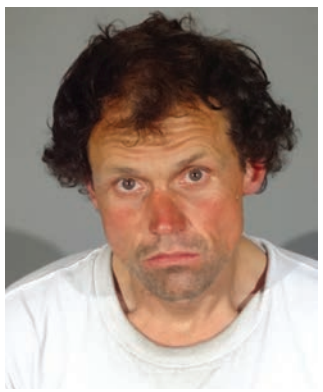
# CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

## ON MAY 2, AT 8:05 P.M.

Officers responded to 1906 Olympic Blvd, Kriser Pet Supply for an alarm activation. K9 Officer arrived first and noticed the rear gate to be secured with a chain but the padlock was not locked. The K9 officer noticed a shopping cart of personal property that was not consistent with the business, which is pet supplies. The sliding glass door to the business was open and the K9 began to alert that there was activity inside the business. Announcements were made and the suspect was asked to surrender. The suspect came out of the business and was arrested. The suspect was in possession of paraphernalia used to smoke/inject narcotics and had an outstanding warrant. Shaun Conrad Breeden, 38, homeless, was arrested for burglary, a health and safety violation and a bench warrant. Bail was set at $30,000.



File Photo

**SHAUN CONRAD BREEDEN**

## DAILY POLICE LOG

### SMDP CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 332 CALLS ON MAY 12

Auto burglary 1200blk 2nd St 1:28 a.m.
Battery 11th St / Santa Monica Blvd 2:21 a.m.
Public intoxication 1200blk 10th St 2:38 a.m.
Traffic collision - unkn injuries Lincoln Blvd / Interstate 10 4:48 a.m.
Lewd activity Ocean Ave / Seaside Ter 7:23 a.m.
Encampment 1800blk Stewart St 8:02 a.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 23rd St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:07 a.m.
Battery 1800blk 17th St 8:32 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 800blk 7th St 9:04 a.m.
Lewd activity 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 9:53 a.m.
Found property 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 9:53 a.m.
Auto burglary 1400blk 4th St 10:04 a.m.
Burglary 1300blk Euclid St 10:14 a.m.
Vehicle burglar alarm 1500blk 7th St 10:58 a.m.
Fight Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 11:04 a.m.
Urinating/defecating in public 800blk 21st St 11:08 a.m.
Domestic violence 2300blk Ocean Park Blvd 11:11 a.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 1000blk Pico Blvd 11:15 a.m.
Battery 2900blk Main St 11:24 a.m.
Construction noise 800blk Ocean Ave 11:42 a.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Cloverfield Blvd / Virginia Ave 11:50 a.m.
Hit and run felony 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 11:59 a.m.
Stalking 1900blk 20th St 12:34 p.m.
Battery 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 12:37 p.m.
Failure to pay parking fee 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:04 p.m.
Failure to pay parking fee 400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:04 p.m.
Check temporary no parking signs 700blk Pier Ave 1:24 p.m.
Petty theft 1300blk Ashland Ave 1:35 p.m.
Vehicle with excessive parking violations 100blk Ocean Park Blvd 1:40 p.m.
Speeding Ocean Ave / Alta Ave 1:44 p.m.
Panic alarm 1600blk Montana Ave 2:09 p.m.
Mark & tag abandoned vehicle 1000blk Idaho Ave 2:10 p.m.
Injured person 2600blk Main St 2:12 p.m.
Mark & tag abandoned vehicle 1300blk Yale St 2:19 p.m.
Abandoned vehicle 1700blk Ocean Ave 2:53 p.m.
Domestic violence 1700blk Franklin St 2:54 p.m.
Animal related incident 1800blk 14th St 3:26 p.m.
Indecent exposure 400blk Santa Monica Pier 3:26 p.m.
Auto burglary 2200blk Virginia Ave 3:47 p.m.
Stolen vehicle 3300blk Airport Ave 3:49 p.m.
Theft suspect in custody 700blk Broadway 4:01 p.m.
Smoking violation 1500blk Ocean Front Walk 4:02 p.m.
Battery 6th St / Colorado Ave 4:48 p.m.
Petty theft 1700blk Ocean Front Walk 5:04 p.m.
Hit and run felony 4th St / Broadway 5:25 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries 21st St / Olympic Blvd 5:28 p.m.
Strongarm robbery 700blk Broadway 5:36 p.m.
Threats 2600blk 32nd St 5:39 p.m.
Vandalism 2200blk 5th St 7:01 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper in progress 300blk Pico Blvd 7:34 p.m.
Battery 1600blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:16 p.m.

## DAILY FIRE LOG

### SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 52 CALLS ON MAY 12

Emergency Medical Service 1500blk Olympic Blvd 12:21 a.m.
EMS 1300blk Stanford St 1:08 a.m.
EMS 1400blk Olympic Blvd 1:18 a.m.
EMS 1100blk 7th St 3:53 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury Lincoln Blvd / Interstate 10 4:48 a.m.
EMS 1500blk 4th St 6:38 a.m.
EMS 700blk Ocean Ave 8:35 a.m.
EMS 1300blk Yale St 9:17 a.m.
EMS 2700blk Neilson Way 10:45 a.m.
EMS Main St / Kinney St 11:26 a.m.
EMS 1000blk Pico Blvd 11:28 a.m.
EMS 1200blk 4th St 12:00 p.m.
EMS 1600blk Appian Way 12:06 p.m.
EMS 1500blk 7th St 12:42 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 12:59 p.m.
EMS 900blk 9th St 1:27 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500blk Ocean Ave 1:45 p.m.
EMS 2800blk Lincoln Blvd 2:24 p.m.
EMS 2300blk Ocean Park Blvd 2:34 p.m.
Automatic alarm 400blk 15th St 2:58 p.m.
EMS 1500blk 4th St 3:11 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1300blk 2nd St 3:31 p.m.

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Draw Date: 05/11
6 8 9 37 40
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**MEGA MILLIONS**
Draw Date: 05/10
3 16 21 61 62
Mega#: 19
Jackpot: $316 M

**SUPER LOTTO PLUS**
Draw Date: 05/11
6 8 10 14 34
Mega#: 12
Jackpot: $44 M

**Fantasy 5**
Draw Date: 05/12
4 9 18 22 30

**DAILY 3**
Draw Date: 05/13
Midday: 1 0 5
Draw Date: 05/12
Evening: 0 8 4

**DAILY DERBY**
Draw Date: 05/12
1st: 6 - WHIRL WIN
2nd: 5 - CALIFORNIA CLASSIC
3rd: 10 - SOLID GOLD
RACE TIME: 1:41.72

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## SURF REPORT

### SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 63.0°

TUESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4 ft + waist to shoulder high occ. 5 ft
Long period SW/SSW swell builds through the day as older SSW swell eases.

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-5 ft waist to head high
Long period SW/SSW swell peaks. Light early AM wind.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

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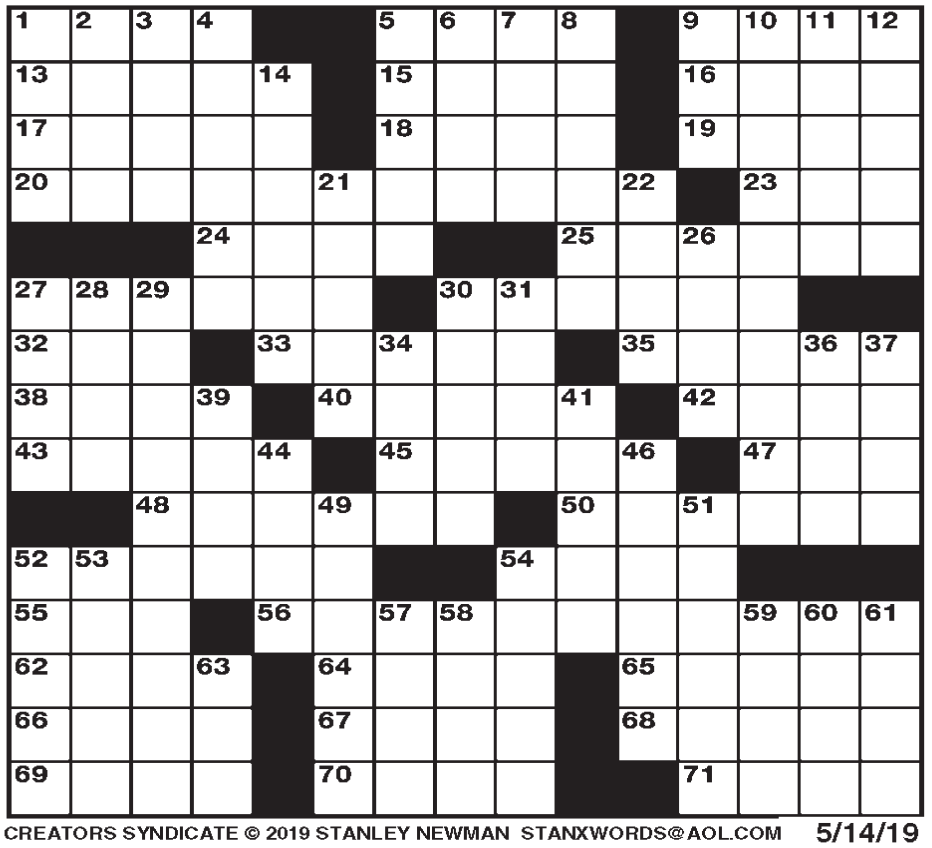
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## Newsday Crossword

**SIGNAL CORPS** by Billie Truitt
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**ACROSS**
1 Cuts, as logs
5 Online diary
9 Study at the last minute
13 Agendas
15 Pre-euro Italian coin
16 Remove, as a fruit peel
17 Source of ancient fables
18 Cameo shape
19 Scent
20 "Classes are over" signals
23 Friend from France
24 Menageries
25 "Darn it!"
27 Over a broad area
30 Top-notch
32 Witness' oath
33 Long stories
35 River-mouth formation
38 Walk laboriously
40 Some other time
42 Lean and muscular
43 Tubular sandwiches
45 Station wagon's wheels
47 Dessert with a crust
48 Newborn feline
50 Bracelet fasteners
52 Full-width headline
54 Twosome
55 __ Jima
56 Hotel's "time to arise" signals
62 __ and forth (to and fro)
64 Pickle herb
65 "Sour" hot dog topping
66 Enjoy
67 Wool sources
68 Brazilian dance
69 Crafts website
70 Sushi grain
71 Child not quite 20

**DOWN**
1 Whirlpool tubs
2 Actor Baldwin
3 Launder
4 Take a nap
5 Drops of paint
6 Exist
7 Of the mouth
8 Horse's fast pace
9 Naval noncom: Abbr.
10 Signals for air traffic controllers
11 Scent
12 Deserve to receive
14 Thread holders
21 Faithful
22 Backyard building
26 Made a sketch
27 Genie's offering
28 Not doing anything
29 Signals at an entryway
30 Bridal gown fabric
31 __-friendly software
34 Airport boarding site
36 Stumble
37 Affirmative votes
39 Enter, as a room
41 Short summary
44 One-pot meal
46 Oil leaks
49 Stocks-and-bonds dealer
51 Where Noah landed
52 Where Noah can be read about
53 Look forward to
54 Heartbeat
57 Fuzzy green fruit
58 Monthly utility bill: Abbr.
59 Flimsy, as an excuse
60 Oil change, for short
61 Getz of jazz
63 __ West, FL



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## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 14)

You're curious about different things than the people around you, making you both a true original and an invaluable contributor. You'll stand out in a great way and earn expert status. Studies will lead you to insights, observations and territory ripe for exploring. Your team gets awarded. Family grows in 2020. Aquarius and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 20, 18, 3 and 44.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You don't take other people's attention for granted. Attention is a precious commodity! You want to make sure it's a fair trade when people pay attention to you, so you offer value only.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The connections you make, however profound, casual or insignificant they may seem, have an effect on the culture. You play a more important role than you realize.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You are afraid of being too scattered, but oddly enough the wide variety of interests you pursue will come together in such a way as to bring more cohesion and order to your life than ever before.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Today feels like dessert, like every bite is a sweet treat that leads to the next delight. You earned the course because you've already eaten your vegetables.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have something to offer. Tell people what it is. If you're not to that stage yet, then formulate what it is, or experiment until you find it. That's a much better approach than just doing whatever they need you to do.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Now more than ever the level of empathy a person is willing to go to tells an entire story – one that you either will or won't like to align with. In a sense, empathy serves as a social dividing line.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've experienced the highs and the lows, and now you'll get something steady for a while. This will allow you to catch your breath, gather your ideas and figure out your next move.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). To get someone else to agree, you have to have already agreed to the thing and be living it, walking it and talking it. Your own commitment as a testimony gives you a lot to go on.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're a valuable asset to the group. You don't have to try to be this; you just are. If said "group" doesn't seem to know this, it's the wrong group for you regardless of the asset you bring.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll lead with utility and practicality. You'll solve the problem in a simple, direct sort of way. It's smart. You don't feel you need to do a dance or put on a show. That's confidence. That is the show.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your intuition tells you that something's up, but it doesn't tell you exactly what. That part takes logical deduction, analyzation of the data and good old-fashioned sleuthing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You do things with people and for people. You've been on the receiving end of people whose style is to do things at you or to you and it feels annoying and invasive – the opposite of the effect you're going for.

## Gadfly Moon

The industrious Virgo moon goes gadfly as it certainly seems to come up with plenty of exciting and antagonizing angles early in the day involving Jupiter, Pluto, the sun, Mars and more. It's a complete relief when the lunar change to Libra takes hold in the later day, settling and soothing the agitation. By bedtime, all will be forgotten.

## ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS

"Will a Leo man born Aug. 10, 1975 ever fall in love with me again? When we first met, I didn't even really like him. Then he worked so hard to win me. Eventually, all his flirting, charm, thoughtfulness and persistence worked. The first months of our relationship were heavenly. Then things evened out and it was still good. A year and a half later, I started to wonder where the whole thing was going. That's when he became distant. Now, no matter what I do, I can't seem to get back what we had. I call him. I'm thoughtful. I try to plan wonderful dates. Yet, none of it seems to matter. I fear we'll never get back to that heavenly place. What do you think? I'm a Cancer."

Stop doing all those nice things. When you give too much, gifts become devalued. Leo men do need like attention and they need to feel important. But he also needs to feel like he has earned your attention. In the beginning, he worked so hard for your love and for that very reason your love felt like a prize. By making it too easy for him, you take the fun out of it. Pull back and get back into your own life. He'll back come around.

## CELEBRITY PROFILES

Cate Blanchett is sure to rule the box office when she plays Bernadette Fox in the film version of the best-selling novel "Where'd You Go, Bernadette" this summer. Blanchett's Taurus sun surrenders to Neptune, planet of emotional highs and lows, discontent and uplift. Cate's Mercury in the roving sign of Gemini makes her a keen observer and communicator of the human experience. Write to Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis@gmail.com.

## WORD UP!

**JOMO**
noun [joh-moh] Slang.
a feeling of contentment with one's own pursuits and activities, without worrying over the possibility of missing out on what others may be doing.

## Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"IT'S HIS 'ME' PERIOD."

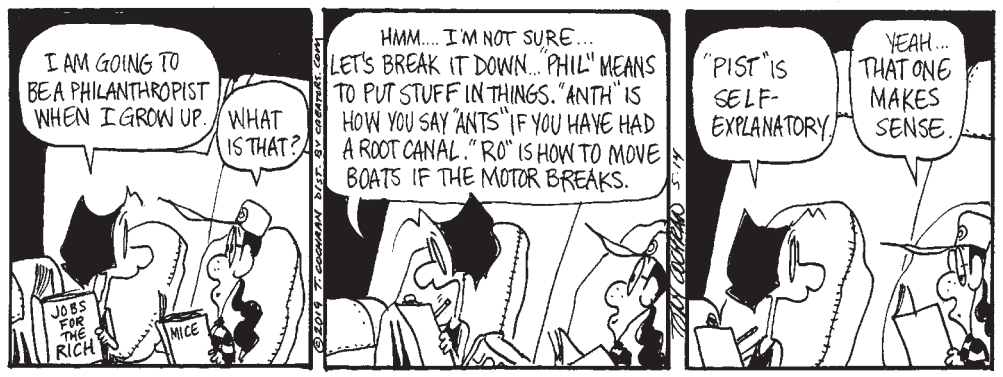
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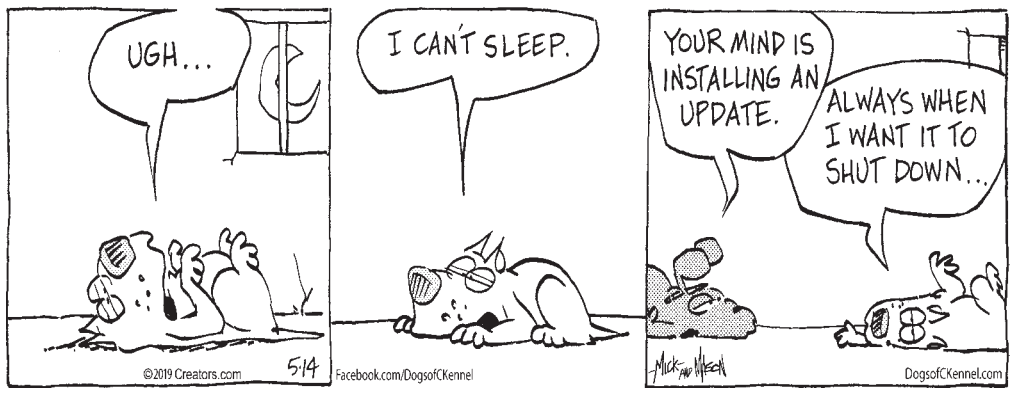

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# White House hopefuls swarm rival's home turf of California

**BRIAN SLODYSKO**
Associated Press

The Democrats who want to be president are swarming California, competing for campaign cash and media attention while courting longtime allies of home-state Sen. Kamala Harris on their rival's own turf.

Former Vice President Joe Biden swooped in to Los Angeles on Wednesday to raise money and snack on tacos with Mayor Eric Garcetti, who has yet to offer an endorsement despite backing Harris in the past. Biden went to three events over two days, including one that netted $750,000 and was attended by Hollywood powerbrokers, as well as "Miracle on the Hudson" pilot Sully Sullenberger.

Pete Buttigieg met with labor activists and LGBT donors, and promised to "vigorously contest California." The mayor of South Bend, Indiana, also attended at least six fundraisers in the Bay Area and Los Angeles, including one hosted by actress Gwyneth Paltrow.

"We are consolidating our position as one of the top candidates in the presidential race," he told a sold-out crowd Thursday at a West Hollywood gay bar.

Others who have visited the state include Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker and Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar.

California has long been treated as an ATM by national Democrats, who often dash in and out for lucrative fundraisers. But the state has drawn a more intense focus after the date of the 2020 primary was moved up from June to March, with Harris uniquely positioned to capitalize on her home-state popularity at a make-or-break stage in the race.

Her aides have said California is central to their strategy to win the nomination, and they have promoted endorsements from elected officials as Harris plowed her way through fundraisers.

But what once seemed to be a formidable wall of support appears to have softened.

Harris has trailed others in recent state polls. Susie Tompkins Buell, a Harris backer who was one of Hillary Clinton's biggest donors, has held a fundraiser and promoted others for Buttigieg. Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom, a longtime Harris ally who endorsed her, traded praise back and forth this past week with Buttigieg, who said the two were trying to set up a meeting.

"I don't think it's a slam dunk for anybody," said former Sen. Barbara Boxer. "It's not like it's a tiny state where everyone knows their senator. It's a very large state with a lot of different communities and so I think it's wide open."

Harris' campaign aides say they never took her standing for granted. Still, they point to her three statewide victories — once as senator and twice as attorney general — as proof she can win in California. They say Harris has worked hard to line up endorsements from state lawmakers and members of the state's congressional delegation, while outraising her presidential competitors in the state.

"I am competing for every vote just like I always have because as far as I'm concerned you have to earn the votes," Harris told CNN's "State of the Union" in an interview that aired Sunday.

With months to go until voting begins, the contours of the race are destined to shift.

Many candidates, particularly those who are little-known or have little money, will be at a steep disadvantage. California is not only the most populous, but also one of the most geographically diverse. That makes campaigning difficult — and unaffordable — particularly when it comes to running TV ads in some of the most expensive media markets in the country.

It remains to be seen who will undertake a serious campaign across the state and who will rely mainly on photo opportunities built around fundraising visits.

"The reality is it's so hard to run for president (here) and raise money ... and what I think you are going to see is this field shrinking from 20 down to five or six," said Steve Westly, a major Silicon Valley donor raising money for Biden who also served a term as the state's elected controller. "Kamala is popular in California, but I think Joe is going to do surprisingly well on a lot of other people's turf."

Whoever wins will likely face a muddled result. Though the state offers nearly 500 delegates, they are apportioned based on how candidates perform in each individual congressional district. That will allow even those who do not win to pad their margins.

"We're not going to make anyone the nominee," said Dan Schnur, a former Republican strategist who now teaches at the University of Southern California. "We're not going to keep anyone from being the nominee, either."

Veteran Democratic strategist Garry South said it was smart strategy for Harris' advisers to try to create the impression that she had the state locked up.

"I would be saying the same damn thing," he said.

But California voters have not historically favored state politicians who ran for the presidency. Former Gov. Jerry Brown and former Sen. Alan Cranston, both Democrats, and Republican Pete Wilson, a former senator and governor, performed poorly when they were White House hopefuls.

"Other than Ronald Reagan, they've all fared very badly. Californians just don't fall in love with their politicians," said South, who managed Gray Davis' winning campaigns for governor in 1998 and 2002 before voters recalled the Democrat. "They elect them like they are hiring a gardener or a plumber: 'Do the job, do it competently and stay out of my face.'"

Associated Press writer Kathleen Ronayne in Sacramento, California, contributed to this report.

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